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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HIROKI HIYAMA )  
Application No.: 09/291,006 )  
Filed: April 14, 1999 )  
For: SOLID-STATE IMAGE )  
SENSING APPARATUS AND )  
METHOD OF OPERATING )  
THE SAME :  
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Group Art Unit: 2612  
August 20, 2004

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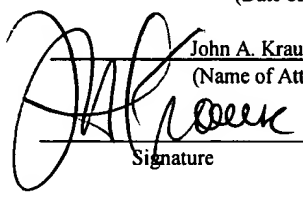
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 20, 2004, please amend the  
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